



# PONDEROSA FIRE

## Incident Update

08-19-2012 13:00 p.m..

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**Fire Information Line: 530-225-2510**

**Location:** Two Miles East of Manton

**County:** Tehama County

**Acres:** 12,000

**% Containment:** 0 %

**Start Date & Time:** August 18, 2012 11:37 a.m. **Expected Containment:**

**Injuries:** 0

**Structures Destroyed:** 7 Residences

**Cause:** Lightning

### EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT ASSIGNED

**Fire Engines:** 105

**Fire Crews:** 22

**Bulldozers:** 31

**Airtankers:**

**Helicopters:** 3

**Total Personnel:** 974

**Current Situation:** There are added evacuations and road closures in place for the following areas: Hard Road Closure at Hwy 44 at Brush Oak. New evacuations on the south side of Hwy 44 from Viola to Brush Oak and on the north side of Hwy 44 from Viola to Alward.

Highway 299 should be used as an alternate route, due to Highway 44 closures.

Manton School has been closed until further notice.

The fire burned actively throughout the night. Extreme fire behavior has contributed to the rapid spread of this fire. Today's weather is expected to be in the mid 90's with relative low humidity and light winds, 5 to 10 MPH. The fire is spreading north-northeast from the Manton area towards the communities of Shingletown and Viola. The fire is approximately 1 mile from Highway 44.

**Evacuations:** Forward Road at Graham Road to C Line, Forward Mill Road from Rock Creek to Forward Camp Road, Rock Creek Road from Manton to Long Hay Flat Road, All of Long Hay Flat Road, All of Woodcutter Way, Hazen Road area, and South Power House Rd., south of Manton. Highway 44 at Brush Oak, East to and including Viola, Plateau Pines, Starlight Pines & McCumber

**Road Closures:** Hwy 44 from Viola to Brush Oak. Manton Road and all roads leading out of Manton have been closed. Hwy. 44 in Shingletown and Viola areas and all road south are in controlled traffic mode.

**Evacuation Centers:** Centers at Manton School and Junction School in Palo Cedro have been closed. The new Red Cross Shelter is open at Big League Dreams, 20155 Viking Way, Redding.

**Cooperating Agencies:** Tehama County Sheriff, Shasta County Sheriff, CHP, CDCR, Cal Trans, SPI, PG & E.

